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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing to express my support for Microsoft's settlement of its antitrust issue with the federal government. Its unfortunate that they had to be put through this process, but this settlement looks more than reasonable.

I am especially thrilled to see Microsoft take the lead and really go above and beyond the products and procedures that were actually at issue in the suit. I understand that they have agreed to not retaliate against computer makers who ship software that competes with anything in its Windows operating system, or against software or hardware developers who develop or promote software that competes with Windows or that runs on software that competes with Windows, and has agreed not to enter into any agreements obligating any third party to distribute or promote any Windows technology exclusively or in a fixed percentage.

I can only say in closing Mr. Ashcroft that we can agree that no other company Microsoft's size would have been so generous in a settlement. This is a fair and reasonable settlement and should be approved.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Yvonne Cahill', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Yvonne Cahill